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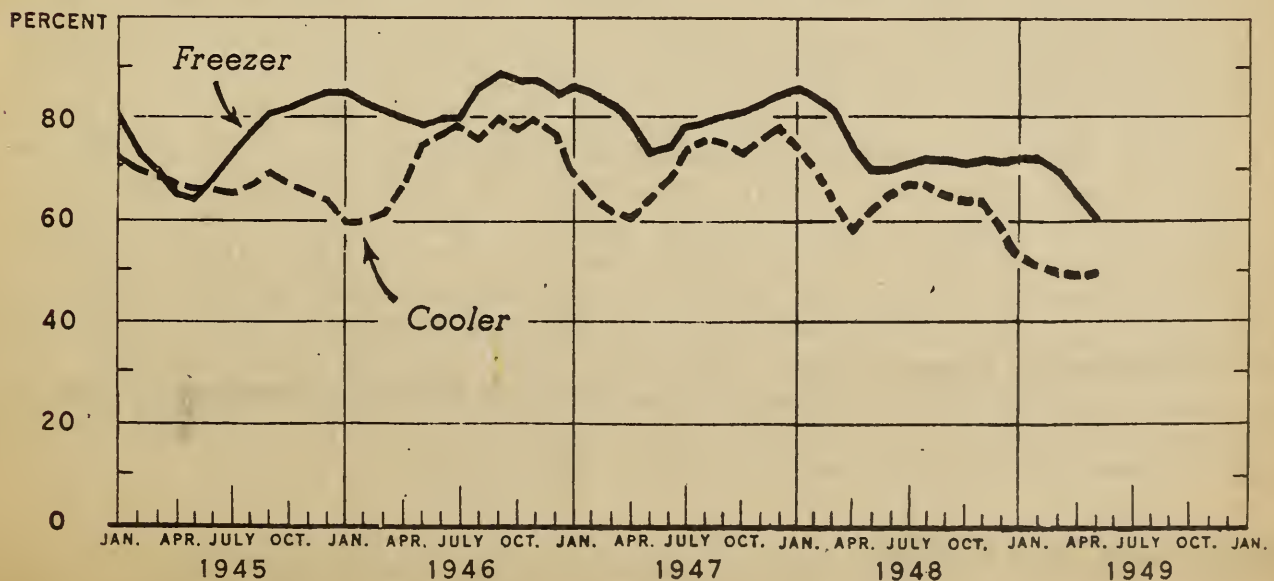
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OCCUPANCY OF PUBLIC COLD-STORAGE WAREHOUSES, 1945-49



Storage occupancy

Cooler space in public refrigerated warehouses was 49 percent filled on May 1. The increase of 1 point in occupancy during April was 2 points less than the average April to May change and the increase in occupancy last year. During the 5-year period ended 1948, May 1 occupancy in coolers averaged 70 percent; this time last year only 62 percent of the space was filled. In the New England, Middle Atlantic and Pacific regions, cooler occupancy was below the national average. Public freezer space was 6 percent less occupied than last month. May 1 occupancy of 60 percent reflected seasonal withdrawals of freezer commodities from storage during April. The decline of 4 points compares with a 5 point change last year and an average decline of 4 points from April to May. By comparison, the occupancy reported on May 1 was 10 points below the level reported last year and was as much as 14 points below the average occupancy reported for May 1 during the last five years. Private and semi-private warehouse operators reported coolers and freezers were 44 and 53 percent occupied, respectively. In the case of coolers this was a 3 point decrease and for freezers a 4 point decrease.

Stocks in storage decreased by 232 million pounds

The net weight of foodstuffs in storage on May 1 totaled 2.5 billion pounds, a decrease of 232 million pounds from last month. May 1 holdings were below the stocks on hand this time last year by 313 million pounds. Approximately half of the stocks in storage were cooler items of which nuts, nutmeats, cheese, shell eggs, dried eggs, sausage, and canned meats showed seasonal increases during April. All other items were withdrawn from storage during the month. Such freezer-held commodities as frozen fruits, vegetables, poultry, beef, and pork were withdrawn from storage in the total amount of 102 million pounds. The net increase of cream, butter, and frozen eggs held net withdrawals from freezers to 85 million pounds which compares with a net decrease of 143 million pounds during April, 1948.

Fruits and vegetables

Fresh apples in storage totaled 3 million bushels on May 1. Stocks in the Pacific region accounted for almost 70 percent of total holdings. The net reduction of 2 million bushels during the month was 3 million bushels less than the April, 1948 withdrawals. Fresh pears reduced by more than half since April 1, totaled 80 thousand bushels on May 1. Last year, first-of-the-month stocks were 133 thousand bushels. Such fresh vegetables as potatoes and onions were reduced by 9 and 36 million pounds, respectively, during April. Holdings of potatoes amounted to 78 million pounds; onions, 35 million pounds. Frozen fruits in storage totaled 237 million pounds or 29 million pounds less than stocks on hand last month. The reduction was about average for this time of year. First-of-the-month stocks, below those of last year by 11 million pounds, did exceed the average by 5 million pounds. About half of the total stocks in storage was in the Middle Atlantic and East North Central regions. Withdrawals of strawberries were above average accounting for more than half of the net reduction in total stocks. Frozen fruit juices and purees showed a significant increase during the month. Frozen vegetables in storage on May amounted to 191 million pounds. In storages located in the Middle Atlantic and Pacific regions, about 64 percent of the stocks were stored. The former held 36 percent. Withdrawals of green peas, corn, and lima beans in total amounted to 17 million pounds; frozen spinach holdings increased by 6 million pounds during the month. Total holdings on the first of this month exceeded last year's stocks by 15 million pounds and were 40 million pounds greater than average.

Dairy and poultry products

May 1 holdings of cream were below average by 6 million pounds. The 11 million pounds in storage exceeded last year's stocks by 3 million pounds. The net

in-to storage movement of 2 million pounds compares with an average net increase of 5 million pounds. Butter stocks totaled 15 million pounds. Last year this time only 4 million pounds were in storage. First of the month stocks increased by 9 million pounds since April 1, the second largest movement for this time of year since 1943. Compared with the May average, however, butter stocks were 13 million pounds below average. May 1 holdings of 962 thousand cases of shell eggs and 107 million pounds of frozen eggs were below average for this date. Shell egg holdings were below average by 3 million cases and frozen eggs by 81 million pounds. Cheese, all varieties totaled 126 million pounds, an increase of 6 million pounds since last month. American cheese stocks at 100 million pounds were 13 million pounds above the May 1 average. Less poultry was withdrawn from storage during April than last year. Withdrawals of 19 million pounds compares with 52 million pounds withdrawn during April 1948 and the average April to May change to 42 million pounds. The net reduction in holdings left 89 million pounds in storage on May 1, the second lowest on record for this time of year since 1940. Withdrawals of fowls and turkeys accounted for 13 million pounds.

Meats and meat products

Total meats in storage on May 1 totaled 794 million pounds. While above average for this time of year, stocks fell below those on hand last year this date by 57 million pounds. Holdings of beef at 108 million pounds reflected an out-movement of 19 million pounds. Withdrawals were above average by 7 million pounds. Pork on hand amounted to 547 million pounds, of which 503 million pounds were frozen. The decrease of 39 million pounds since April 1 compares with 54 million pounds withdrawn this time last year and the average withdrawals of 23 million pounds. Lard and rendered pork fat stood at 138 million pounds on the first of this month. A contra-seasonal movement of stocks was reflected by a net-withdrawal of 19 million pounds. The average April to May change was an increase of 18 million pounds.

Frozen fishery products

A net decrease of 8 million pounds during April left 75 million pounds of fishery products on hand May 1. These holdings were above stocks on hand this date last year by 7 million pounds, and exceeded the May average by 15 million pounds. Of the total in store, 56 million pounds were salt-water species, 7 million pounds fresh-water species, and 12 million pounds, shellfish.

Storage outlook

The increase in public cooler occupancy during the month was the smallest on record. The rise of one-point compares with an average increase of 3 points in cooler occupancy from April to May. At the present occupancy, coolers were operating 21 points below average and were at the lowest May level since 1941. The movement of shell eggs into storage has been relatively light, which is largely responsible for the low level of occupancy now in evidence. Should the seasonal increase in occupancy during May equal the average, which is 2 points, then on June 1 coolers will be a little more than half filled.

Freezers were probably at their seasonal low on the first of this month. Utilization of only 60 percent of the net piling space was a near record low, being second only to the 55 percent recorded on May 1, 1940. Consistently below average each month from January 1 last, monthly occupancy in public freezers, however, has followed the seasonal pattern described by the 5-year average in its change from month to month. The expected movement of butter, frozen eggs, and cream products into storage during May should raise freezer occupancy by as much as 2 and possibly 3 points.

Data for this report are collected from public, private and semi-private warehouses, apple houses, and meat-packing plants. Commodities in space owned or leased and operated by the armed services are not reported. All May 1 figures are preliminary.

Table 1. — Public cold storage warehouses
(Apple houses excluded)

State or Geographic Region	Net piling space 1/		Percentage of space occupied 2/							
			May 1, 5-yr. av. 1944-48		May 1, 1948		Apr. 1, 1949		May 1, 1949 3/	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	("000" cu. ft.)		Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
Maine, N. H. and Vt.....	300	658	69	70	73	68	54	49	53	44
Massachusetts.....	2,536	4,895	71	68	50	56	39	65	40	58
R. I. and Connecticut.....	725	774	86	81	59	64	25	59	45	61
NEW ENGLAND.....	3,561	6,327	68	64	52	57	37	63	42	58
New York.....	24,269	17,140	61	72	49	57	39	54	36	44
New Jersey.....	7,748	8,617	80	81	71	70	44	62	48	61
Pennsylvania.....	10,069	8,041	68	81	57	73	41	66	45	59
MIDDLE ATLANTIC.....	42,086	33,798	66	76	55	64	40	59	40	52
Ohio.....	6,503	6,311	71	80	50	79	41	60	39	53
Indiana.....	1,269	1,088	76	85	55	71	31	71	39	77
Illinois.....	19,929	14,761	71	72	74	78	52	67	50	64
Michigan.....	4,722	4,614	69	74	62	76	45	54	59	62
Wisconsin.....	3,617	1,530	71	73	70	77	68	67	72	65
EAST NORTH CENTRAL.....	36,040	28,304	71	75	66	77	51	64	52	62
Minnesota.....	969	3,321	75	68	71	80	79	81	74	78
Iowa.....	636	1,809	77	79	64	76	62	78	57	58
Missouri.....	5,503	6,334	79	76	73	86	52	73	57	72
Dakotas and Nebraska.....	1,048	2,745	78	83	68	85	47	70	59	57
Kansas.....	2,850	2,524	74	78	72	88	53	79	45	77
WEST NORTH CENTRAL.....	11,006	16,733	77	76	72	84	54	74	53	62
Delaware.....	233	281	69	66	98	63	65	79	65	79
Maryland and D. C.....	1,945	1,999	82	83	71	69	31	80	38	76
Virginia & West Va.....	4,103	1,732	69	80	71	76	54	69	51	69
No. & So. Carolina.....	607	360	63	76	41	73	58	79	46	78
Georgia.....	3,191	1,570	81	86	70	83	51	92	65	83
Florida.....	1,555	426	79	83	71	76	61	82	65	87
SOUTH ATLANTIC.....	11,634	6,368	74	81	69	74	50	79	54	77
Kentucky.....	1,261	510	77	73	76	75	48	86	46	82
Tennessee.....	2,302	2,179	85	72	78	84	73	81	75	77
Alabama & Mississippi.....	636	1,158	86	77	80	72	65	93	61	90
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL.....	4,192	3,847	83	75	78	72	65	86	65	81
Arkansas.....	451	244	70	81	71	84	43	56	39	66
Louisiana.....	1,163	1,047	89	87	81	87	75	82	77	78
Oklahoma.....	918	593	73	81	91	92	69	47	75	55
Texas.....	4,709	3,311	77	77	67	63	75	54	75	55
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL.....	7,241	5,195	78	80	72	72	73	57	73	60
MOUNTAIN.....	2,150	2,707	84	84	79	83	57	70	71	63
Washington.....	2,251	4,619	64	61	58	50	37	51	35	44
Oregon.....	4,193	4,950	56	44	24	33	47	33	52	27
California.....	12,492	11,893	62	81	58	78	45	69	47	67
PACIFIC.....	18,936	21,462	82	65	55	58	44	55	46	53
UNITED STATES 4/.....	136,853	124,741	70	74	62	70	48	64	49	60

1/ A Survey of the Capacity of Cold Storage Warehouses in the United States, October 1947.

2/ Percentage for the periods covered are comparable.

3/ Preliminary.

4/ Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

Table 2. — Private, semi-private warehouses and meat-packing plants
(Apple houses excluded)

Net piling space and percentage of space occupied May 1, 1949

State or Geographic Region	Private and semi-private warehouses				Meat-packing establishments			
	Net piling space 1/		Space occupied		Net piling space 1/		Space occupied	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	("000" cu. ft.)		Pct.		("000" cu. ft.)		Pct.	
NEW ENGLAND.....	554	1,113	39	63	1,968	725	81	-
New York.....	2,563	2,481	41	60	4,539	500	86	73
New Jersey.....	222	1,401	20	39	454	91	-	-
Pennsylvania.....	508	548	60	50	1,738	149	97	90
MIDDLE ATLANTIC.....	3,293	4,430	42	59	6,731	740	90	80
Ohio.....	624	465	74	76	2,275	292	98	100
Indiana.....	398	349	97	92	2,379	899	99	99
Illinois.....	274	41	86	100	8,507	4,026	82	59
Michigan.....	1,590	1,237	29	28	1,234	395	-	-
Wisconsin.....	2,893	484	64	73	1,490	979	99	83
EAST NORTH CENTRAL.....	5,779	2,576	56	44	15,885	6,591	90	63
Minnesota.....	108	786	100	36	2,014	2,013	71	90
Iowa.....	670	948	75	85	7,725	3,343	74	83
Missouri.....	233	85	-	-	2,360	1,076	92	98
No. & So. Dak. & Nebr.....	531	1,567	100	100	6,718	2,250	100	100
Kansas.....	581	543	-	-	6,901	1,867	92	92
WEST NORTH CENTRAL.....	2,123	3,929	91	66	25,718	10,549	88	91
Del. Md. Va. & W. Va.....	394	531	12	91	1,238	131	91	99
NC., SC., Ga. & Fla.....	253	846	10	65	1,139	478	100	100
SOUTH ATLANTIC.....	647	1,377	12	77	2,377	609	95	99
Kentucky & Tennessee.....	190	101	100	-	1,642	359	85	94
Alabama & Mississippi.....	-	-	-	-	372	44	-	70
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL.....	190	101	100	-	2,014	403	85	91
Ark., La. & Oklahoma.....	124	641	-	-	1,073	407	100	100
Texas.....	576	123	40	11	2,497	1,045	100	100
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL.....	700	764	40	11	3,570	1,452	100	100
Mont. Idaho, Wyo., Colo.....	164	314	90	45	1,473	482	100	100
Ariz., Utah & Nevada.....	18	340	-	30	555	184	98	100
MOUNTAIN.....	182	654	90	31	2,028	666	98	100
Washington & Oregon.....	1,013	5,352	24	41	1,283	547	95	97
California.....	4,370	1,202	10	62	2,773	605	93	69
PACIFIC.....	5,383	6,554	14	46	4,056	1,152	94	84
UNITED STATES 2/.....	18,851	21,498	44	53	64,347	22,887	90	80

1/ A Survey of the Capacity of Cold Storage Warehouses in the United States, October 1947.

2/ Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

Table 3. — Public general warehouses in key cities

Net piling space and percentage of space occupied

Cities 1/	Net piling space 2/		Space occupied							
			Apr. 1, 1948		May 1, 1948		Apr. 1, 1949		May 1, 1949	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	("000" cu. ft.)		Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
NEW ENGLAND										
Boston.....	1,339	3,417	39	67	44	60	30	67	35	60
MID ATLANTIC										
New York.....	12,704	13,105	63	73	70	65	49	65	54	54
Buffalo.....	1,008	1,971	27	66	32	51	30	38	37	30
Rochester.....	6,553	1,696	34	73	33	63	40	37	29	39
Philadelphia.....	3,624	5,018	49	81	55	73	43	66	48	60
Pittsburgh.....	2,233	2,046	78	91	77	88	45	68	46	64
E. N. CENTRAL										
Cleveland.....	3,950	3,171	43	85	43	77	26	50	28	46
Cincinnati.....	1,075	1,241	60	93	78	93	70	89	48	73
Chicago.....	16,858	14,346	50	71	75	98	53	67	47	64
Detroit.....	3,562	3,581	75	82	69	79	50	60	63	69
Milwaukee.....	1,182	1,020	73	85	64	77	58	79	59	76
W. N. CENTRAL										
Minneapolis.....	589	2,411	80	94	83	91	81	86	75	86
St. Louis.....	4,457	3,202	82	93	81	92	73	84	77	85
Kansas City.....	2,675	2,781	72	90	75	87	44	74	49	70
Omaha.....	483	2,122	59	93	60	89	69	73	71	57
SOUTH ATLANTIC										
Baltimore.....	709	978	84	91	81	92	63	93	71	91
Richmond.....	1,521	464	57	50	69	46	54	69	63	73
Norfolk.....	934	936	85	91	77	86	70	79	76	77
E. S. CENTRAL										
Nashville.....	1,153	1,525	66	82	80	86	82	84	84	83
Memphis.....	747	540	68	80	78	74	72	82	70	66
W. S. CENTRAL										
New Orleans.....	1,009	936	77	84	83	90	72	82	75	78
Dallas-Ft. Worth..	1,949	2,080	57	56	67	60	73	55	75	56
San Antonio.....	903	507	74	55	77	55	83	60	85	55
Houston.....	708	300	50	84	55	83	71	76	68	82
PACIFIC										
Seattle.....	1,079	1,902	72	44	68	61	45	65	49	53
Portland.....	1,913	3,466	38	49	54	34	41	29	56	24
Los Angeles.....	1,899	4,190	79	88	72	82	70	82	68	76
San Francisco.....	4,222	2,363	91	94	90	93	51	74	58	68
Total.....	81,038	81,315	61	77	67	72	52	65	54	61

1/ Space shown includes public warehouses within a 25 mile radius of city named.

2/ A Survey of the Capacity of Cold Storage Warehouses in the United States, October 1947.

Table 4. — Apple houses

Regions	Net piling		Space occupied					
	space <u>1/</u>		May 1, 1947		May 1, 1948		May 1, 1949	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	("000" cu. ft.)	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
New England.....	5,161	79	13	-	7	-	-	-
Middle Atlantic...	18,046	691	22	29	25	44	10	67
East North Central	6,422	252	25	100	51	63	24	21
West North Central	915	44	54	71	32	76	14	45
South Atlantic....	17,938	691	10	69	13	45	10	47
East South Central)								
West South Central)	349	3	19	-	-	-	-	-
Mountain.....	7	362	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pacific.....	54,197	2,701	15	24	16	40	16	23
U. S. Total <u>2/</u>	103,035	4,823	16	34	19	42	14	31

1/ A Survey of the Capacity of Cold Storage Warehouses in the United States, October 1947.

2/ Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

Table 5. — Apple and pear holdings by states

State	Apple holdings		Pear holdings	
	May 1, 1948	May 1, 1949	May 1, 1948	May 1, 1949
- Thousands of bushels -				
Vt., Mass., & Conn.....	115	21	-	0
New York.....	700	224	11	2
New Jersey.....	172	61	4	26
Pennsylvania.....	175	55	1	1
Ohio.....	141	76	6	1
Illinois.....	337	157	1	2
Michigan.....	216	62	-	-
Virginia.....	408	124	-	-
West Virginia.....	24	8	-	-
Missouri.....	90	30	-	-
Kansas.....	11	1	-	-
Washington.....	1,731	1,826	11	-
Oregon.....	100	122	69	32
California.....	318	359	24	15
Other States <u>1/</u>	358	198	6	1
U. S. Total.....	4,896	3,324	133	80

1/ Holdings for states having significant quantities of apples or pears are given above. Other holdings shown under, "Other States".

Table 6. — May holdings and changes during April 1949 1/

Cooler	Holdings	Net Change		Freezer	Holdings	Net Change	
Commodities	May 1	during Apr.		Commodities	May 1	during Apr.	
	"000" lbs.	"000" lbs.	%		"000" lbs.	"000" lbs.	%
Apples.....	159,552	-104,016	-39	Fruits.....	237,140	-29,441	-11
Pears.....	4,000	-4,400	-52	Vegetables.....	190,790	-15,271	-7
Dried & ev. Fts..	32,165	-203	-1	Cream.....	10,714	1,501	16
Can'd. ft. & Veg.	1,900	-392	-17	Cream'y butter..	15,131	8,813	139
Nuts & Nutmeats..	103,513	1,812	2	Eggs.....	106,989	29,670	38
Fish*.....	11,520	-1,716	-13	Poultry.....	89,385	-19,347	-18
Cheese.....	126,444	5,881	5	Beef.....	97,933	-16,981	-15
Shell eggs.....	43,290	19,440	82	Pork.....	347,296	-21,135	-6
Dried eggs.....	47,252	12,592	36	Sausage.....	5,044	360	8
Beef.....	10,245	-2,010	-16	Lamb & Mutton...	9,923	-4,345	-30
Pork.....	200,104	-17,894	-8	Veal.....	11,969	-3,999	-25
Sausage.....	8,863	41	-	Edible Offal....	58,336	-2,933	-5
Canned meats.....	44,042	1,865	4	Lard & pork fat.	5,531	-740	-12
Lard & pork fat..	132,747	-17,764	-12	Fish*.....	60,480	-9,006	-13
Other.....	322,595	-40,547	-11	Other.....	33,334	-1,733	-5
Total.....	1,248,232	-147,311	-11	Total.....	1,279,995	-84,587	-6

1/ For a detailed breakdown see the following tables.

* Estimated.

TOTAL WEIGHT OF COOLER AND FREEZER COMMODITIES, 1947-49

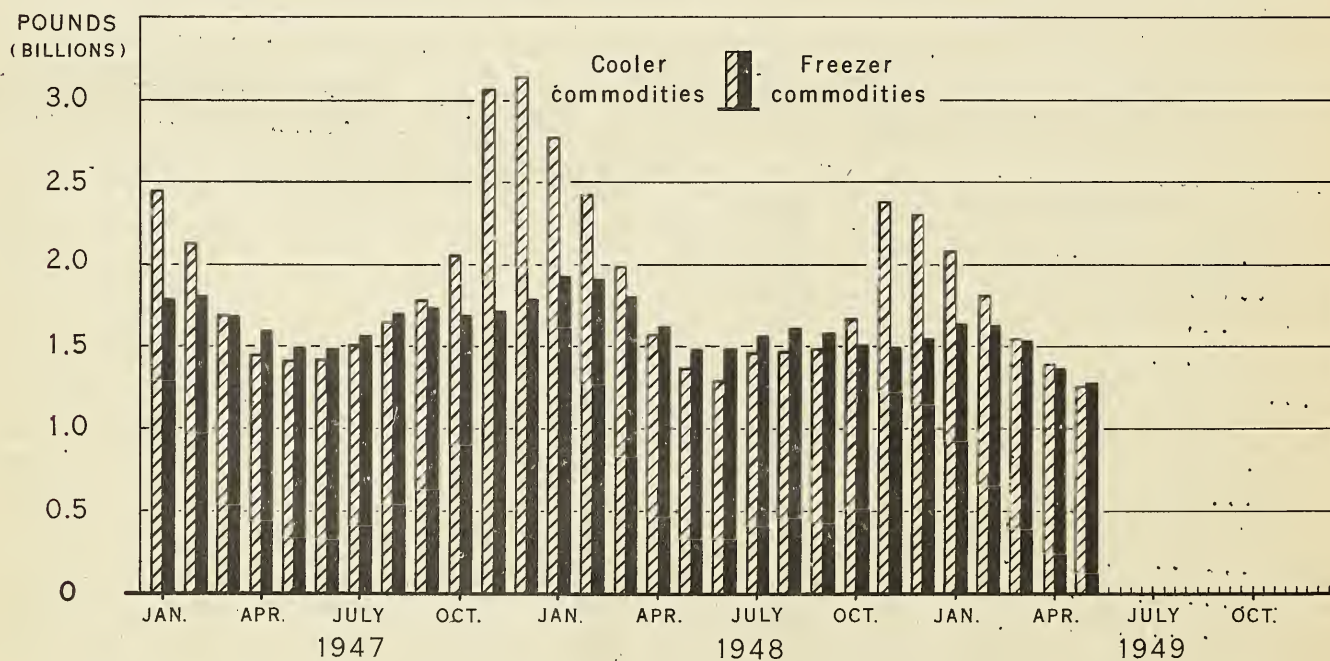


Table 7. — Fresh fruits and vegetables

Net changes in stocks during April and comparisons

Fresh apples: Decreased by 2 million bushels; April 1948 decrease was 5 million bushels; average April decrease was 4 million bushels.

Fresh pears: Decreased by .1 million bushels; April 1948 decrease was .3 million bushels; average April decrease was .2 million bushels.

Stocks of fruits and vegetables	'May 1, 5-yr. 'av. 1944-48	'May 1 1948	'Apr. 1 1949	'May 1 1949
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- Thousands -

FRESH APPLES

Apples.....Western, standard boxes <u>1/</u>	2,410	4,060	2,640
Apples.....Western, other containers <u>2/</u>	111	46	22
Apples.....Eastern, bushel baskets	1,251	551	275
Apples.....Eastern, other containers <u>2/</u>	1,124	834	387
Total apples.....bushels	3,625	4,896	3,324

FRESH PEARS

Pears, Bartletts.....packed boxes	2	2	1
Pears, Bartletts.....loose boxes	-	-	-
Pears, all other varieties..boxes	51	128	164
Pears.....bushel baskets	2	3	3
Total pears.....bushels	55	133	168

OTHER FRUITS & VEGETABLES

Other fresh fruits.....Pounds	8,780	9,115	20,110
Dried & evaporated fruits... "	87,885	64,430	32,368
Canned fruits & vegetables.. "	2,440	2,292	1,900
Potatoes.....Pounds	104,030	86,529	77,794
Onions..... "	1,029	71,061	35,289
Celery..... "	747	2,971	2,453
Other fresh vegetables..... "	13,691	31,669	23,230
Nutmeats, peanuts.....Pounds	29,967	18,166	22,887
Nutmeats, other nuts..... "	28,596	26,110	30,560
Peanuts, in shell..... "	4,476	1,466	1,791
Other nuts in shell..... "	36,070	55,959	48,275

1/ Western apples are those grown in Washington, Oregon, California, Idaho, Nevada, Wyoming, Montana, Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and New Mexico.

2/ Other containers reported in terms of bushels.

Table 8. — Frozen fruits and vegetables ^{1/}

Net changes in stocks during April and comparisons				
Frozen fruits: Decreased by 29 million pounds; April 1948 decrease was 34 million pounds; average April decrease was 33 million pounds.				
Frozen vegetables: Decreased by 15 million pounds; April 1948 decrease was 21 million pounds; average April decrease was 19 million pounds.				
Stocks of frozen fruits and vegetables	May 1, 5-yr. av. 1944-48	May 1 1948	Apr. 1 1949	May 1 1949

- Thousands of pounds -

FROZEN FRUITS

Apples.....		33,551	16,375	13,723
Apricots.....		13,977	6,463	5,822
Blackberries.....	8,489	10,942	4,896	3,985
Blueberries.....		6,925	5,912	6,866
Cherries.....	19,897	25,178	34,340	26,185
Grapes.....		13,945	9,188	8,404
Peaches.....		28,505	15,293	13,077
Plums and prunes.....		7,347	3,798	3,445
Raspberries.....	10,755	15,940	17,454	13,982
Strawberries.....	14,918	15,908	53,251	36,776
Young, Logan, Boysen etc.....	6,050	9,337	9,467	7,688
Fruit juices and purees.....		25,670	49,270	56,402
All other fruits.....	171,599	40,670	40,874	40,785
Total.....	231,708	247,895	266,581	237,140

FROZEN VEGETABLES

Asparagus.....	6,122	5,226	4,297	4,396
Beans, lima.....	10,217	20,721	37,071	33,623
Beans, snap.....	9,495	8,398	14,486	12,066
Broccoli.....	9,807	7,753	9,471	9,921
Brussels sprouts.....		4,427	4,468	3,680
Cauliflower.....		4,586	6,592	6,888
Corn, sweet.....	14,077	18,005	14,956	11,651
Peas, green.....	36,224	62,081	61,968	51,249
Pumpkin and squash.....		4,830	3,625	3,390
Spinach.....	16,313	12,332	9,847	16,129
All other vegetables.....	48,642	27,759	39,280	37,797
Total.....	150,897	176,118	206,061	190,790

^{1/} A report on package sizes for certain frozen fruits and vegetables will be issued May 20, 1949.

Table 9. — Dairy and poultry products

Net changes in stocks during April and comparisons					
Cream: Increased by 2 million pounds; April 1948 increase was 3 million pounds; average April increase was 6 million pounds.					
Butter: Increased by 9 million pounds; April 1948 increase was 1 million pounds; average April increase was 1 million pounds.					
Cheese: Increased by 6 million pounds; April 1948 increase was 2 million pounds; average April increase was 7 million pounds.					
Shell eggs: Increased by .4 million cases; April 1948 increase was 2 million cases; average April increase was 2 million cases.					
Frozen eggs: Increased by 30 million pounds; April 1948 increase was 53 million pounds; average April increase was 57 million pounds.					
Frozen poultry: Decreased by 19 million pounds; April 1948 decrease was 52 million pounds; average April decrease was 42 million pounds.					

Stocks of dairy and poultry products	Unit	May 1, 5-yr. av. 1944-48	May 1 1948	Apr. 1 1949	May 1 1949

CREAM & MILK			- Thousands -		
Fluid cream..... lb.)	}	17,380	6,727	8,152	9,258
Plastic cream (75-85% butterfat)... lb.)			1,621	1,061	1,456
Condensed milk (bulk)..... lb.)			16,431	9,051	12,111
Evap. & Cond. milk (case goods).... lb.)				1,647	499
BUTTER					
Creamery..... lb.		28,422	4,449	6,318	15,131
CHEESE					
American..... lb.		97,494	91,907	105,608	110,281
Swiss including block..... lb.		716	1,602	2,153	1,571
All other varieties <u>1/</u> lb.		17,191	11,754	12,802	14,592
Total cheese..... lb.		115,401	105,263	120,563	126,444
EGGS					
Shell..... case		4,409	3,091	530	962
Frozen eggs, total <u>2/</u> lb.		187,513	195,954	77,319	106,989
Whites..... lb.		31,281	35,575	18,313	28,678
Yolks..... lb.		23,464	32,797	14,433	20,064
Mixed..... lb.		102,433	119,580	40,737	53,079
Unclassified..... lb.		30,335	8,002	3,836	5,168
Dried eggs, total..... lb.		40,433	4,312	34,660	47,252
Total eggs <u>2/</u> case		13,452	8,747	6,058	8,540
FROZEN POULTRY					
Broilers..... lb.		5,377	5,081	5,025	4,342
Fryers..... lb.		9,953	11,028	9,426	8,334
Roasters..... lb.		23,102	15,798	6,497	5,022
Fowls..... lb.		38,177	47,469	23,284	17,604
Turkeys..... lb.		61,070	40,964	43,854	35,716
Ducks..... lb.		2,007	2,960	1,075	1,408
Miscellaneous..... lb.		12,146	9,666	3,868	3,125
Unclassified poultry..... lb.		21,428	20,458	15,703	13,834
Total poultry..... lb.		173,260	153,424	108,732	89,385

^{1/} Includes Brick and Munster Cheese.^{2/} Frozen eggs are converted on the basis of 37.5 pounds to the case and dried eggs on the basis of 10 pounds

Table 10. — Dairy and poultry holdings by states May 1, 1949

States	' Cream		'Creamery 'butter	'American' 'cheese	'Shell 'eggs	'Frozen' 'eggs	' Total ' Poultry
	'Fluid	'Plastic					
	' lb.	' lb.					

	- Thousands -						
Massachusetts.....	237	48	141	1,503	21	1,008	3,202
Other States.....			127	280	4	723	634
NEW ENGLAND.....			268	1,783	25	1,731	3,836
New York.....	4,326	70	1,741	9,876	77	9,471	13,751
New Jersey.....	249	-	434	3,736	57	5,872	2,914
Pennsylvania.....	567	-	761	1,809	28	2,923	3,053
MIDDLE ATLANTIC.....			2,936	15,421	162	18,266	19,718
Ohio.....	328	-	378	720	45	4,196	3,630
Indiana.....	57	-	82	51	5	2,329	147
Illinois.....	145	-	5,020	3,485	121	19,955	18,495
Michigan.....	355	-	110	1,129	6	1,468	2,061
Wisconsin.....	175	-	201	64,100	-	791	807
EAST NORTH CENTRAL....			5,791	69,485	177	28,739	25,140
Minnesota.....	1,202	-	2,409	1,947	22	2,010	2,006
Iowa.....	6	-	631	65	23	2,903	1,402
Missouri.....	153	662	963	3,933	65	15,838	3,150
Dakotas.....			52	34	-	448	30
Nebraska.....			511	337	29	4,902	6,237
Kansas.....			34	180	35	7,546	1,184
WEST NORTH CENTRAL....			4,600	9,496	174	33,647	14,009
SOUTH ATLANTIC.....			322	2,082	58	4,176	3,463
Kentucky.....			8	121	4	824	219
Tennessee.....			84	5,470	20	2,048	284
Ala. and Mississippi....			11	-	1	268	283
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL....			103	5,591	25	3,140	786
Arkansas & Louisiana.....			78	144	3	2,193	312
Oklahoma.....			37	71	5	3,028	408
Texas.....	173	192	278	1,906	32	7,364	1,625
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL....			393	2,121	40	12,585	2,345
Colorado.....			50	99	25	362	638
Other States.....			41	1,610	36	309	2,789
MOUNTAIN.....			91	1,709	61	671	3,427
Washington.....			168	306	26	959	2,754
Oregon.....			55	759	24	323	3,835
California.....	383	83	404	1,528	190	2,752	10,072
PACIFIC.....			627	2,593	240	4,034	16,661
Other States, cream only.....	902	401					
UNITED STATES.....	9,258	1,456	15,131	110,281	962	106,989	89,385

Table 11. — Commodities held in public general cold storage warehouses, March 1949

Cooler Commodities	Holdings March 1 "000" lbs.	Freezer Commodities	Holdings March 1 "000" lbs.
Apples.....	82,944	Fruits.....	244,061
Pears.....	9,600	Vegetables.....	196,359
Dried & ev. Fts....	33,307	Cream.....	13,939
Can'd. ft. & Veg...	2,447	Cream'y butter.....	7,419
Nuts & Nutmeats....	68,911	Eggs.....	48,220
Fish*.....	-	Poultry.....	113,094
Cheese.....	90,940	Beef.....	94,379
Shell eggs.....	5,670	Pork.....	242,649
Dried eggs.....	25,352	Sausage.....	2,915
Beef.....	1,229	Lamb & Mutton.....	13,421
Pork.....	5,834	Veal.....	11,322
Sausage.....	456	Edible Offal.....	23,478
Canned meats.....	13,160	Lard & pork fat.....	3,328
Lard & pork fat....	79,873	Fish*.....	-
Other.....	264,845	Other.....	35,383
Total.....	684,568	Total.....	1,050,027

* Fish holdings not included in these figures.

Table 12. — Certain commodities held by the Government 1/

Commodity	Unit	May 1, 5-yr. av. 1944-48	May 1 1948	Apr. 1 1949	May 1 1949 2/
- Thousands -					
Butter, creamery.....	lb.	10,846	118	472	1,057
American cheese.....	lb.	22,757	183	207	155
Shell eggs.....	case	324	19	17	39
Frozen eggs.....	lb.	21,730	50,405	12,540	11,624
Dried eggs.....	lb.		1,468	30,514	36,857
Poultry.....	lb.		4,971	1,928	1,490
Lard & rendered pork fat.....	lb.	84,035	1,079	134	107
Dried fruits.....	lb.		634	320	194
Total.....	lb.	153,948	59,653	46,880	53,239

1/ Government holdings are included in the tables of total holdings elsewhere in the report and consist of reported stocks held by USDA, the Armed services and other Government agencies. In addition to stocks reported above, the armed services hold some stocks in space owned and operated by them on which figures are not available. Current figures not entirely comparable with 5 year average.

2/ Based on actual reports. Estimates on late reports are not included; Current figures will be revised next month.

Table 13. — Meats and meat products

Net changes in stocks during April and comparisons

Beef: Decreased by 19 million pounds; April 1948 decrease was 31 million pounds; average April decrease was 12 million pounds.

Pork: Decreased by 39 million pounds; April 1948 decrease was 55 million pounds; average April decrease was 23 million pounds.

Other meats: Decreased by 9 million pounds; April 1948 decrease was 31 million pounds; average April decrease was 10 million pounds.

Lard: Decreased by 19 million pounds; April 1948 change was an increase of 10 million pounds; average April change was an increase of 18 million pounds.

Stocks of meats and meat products	'May 1, 5-yr. 'av. 1944-48	'May 1 '1948	'Apr. 1 '1949	'May 1 '1949
- Thousands of pounds -				

BEEF

Frozen.....	166,845	102,809	113,519	96,634
In cure, cured and smoked.....	8,753	10,916	13,650	11,544
Total beef.....	175,598	113,725	127,169	108,178

PORK

Frozen.....	245,493	377,529	325,936	302,911
Dry salt in cure and cured.....	87,844	68,072	57,863	56,438
Other in cure, cured & smoked.....	158,636	161,226	202,630	188,051
Total pork.....	491,973	606,827	586,429	547,400

OTHER MEATS AND MEAT PRODUCTS

Sausage and sausage room products.....		14,331	13,506	13,907
Frozen lamb and mutton.....	12,070	9,106	14,268	9,923
Frozen veal.....		7,173	15,968	11,969
Canned meats & meat products.....		43,805	42,177	44,042
All edible offal ^{1/}	65,258	56,480	61,269	58,336
Total other meats & meat products.....	77,328	130,895	147,188	138,177

Total all meats ^{1/}	744,899	851,447	860,786	793,755
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LARD AND RENDERED PORK FAT

Lard.....	177,952	136,443	153,805	136,118
Rendered pork fat.....		2,481	2,977	2,160
Total.....	177,952	138,924	156,782	138,278

HIDES & PELTS.....		66,069	59,336	56,379
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^{1/} Current figures not entirely comparable with 5-yr. average.

Table 14. — Fishery products 1/

Species	May 1, 5-yr. av. 1944-48	May 1 1948	Apr. 1 1949	May 1 1949
- Thousands of pounds -				
<u>Salt-water fish: frozen</u>				
Bait and animal food.....	3,906	4,605	3,977	4,959
Bluefish.....	82	92	141	142
Butterfish.....	152	45	144	99
Cod, had'k, hake, pollock, whole.....	1,283	853	1,348	1,100
Croakers.....	427	240	241	27
Eels.....	184	307	114	175
Filletts (miscellaneous).....	11,884	15,780	17,995	20,039
Flounders (inc. filletts).....	1,090	931	3,414	2,932
Halibut.....	1,577	3,297	3,192	1,554
Herring, sea.....	1,210	587	842	1,115
Mackerel (Boston) (inc. filletts).....	1,486	1,630	1,578	1,042
Mullet.....	668	215	602	426
Sablefish (black cod).....	1,975	990	3,034	2,747
Salmon (all species).....	3,853	5,322	5,543	4,193
Scup (porgies).....	368	135	467	301
Sea trout (weakfish, gray & spotted)....	243	216	282	1 197
Shad and shad roe.....	384	376	122	119
Smelts (sea).....	1,659	2,207	2,216	1,832
Swordfish.....	368	845	1,555	1,027
Whiting (inc. filletts).....	2,819	3,551	6,182	3,825
Miscellaneous salt-water fish.....	8,799	6,319	8,501	8,044
<u>Fresh-water fish: frozen</u>				
Bait and animal food.....	1,075	1,419	2,312	2,271
Blue pike and sauger (inc. filletts).....	417	342	666	670
Catfish and bullheads.....	106	129	265	258
Chubs.....	180	60	403	288
Lake herring & cisco (inc. filletts).....	1,394	598	755	615
Lake trout.....	484	199	344	310
Pickrel, jacks or yellow jacks.....	290	84	93	134
Sturgeon and spoonbill cat.....	98	57	313	281
Suckers.....	51	32	20	24
Tullibee.....	220	118	42	28
Yellow perch (inc. filletts).....	145	117	442	422
Yellow pike (or wall-eye) (inc. filletts)	189	204	394	315
Whitefish.....	1,333	842	1,092	756
Miscellaneous fresh-water fish.....	990	987	828	962
<u>Shellfish: frozen</u>				
Lobster tails (spiny lobster).....	462	953	755	541
Scallops.....	485	684	1,465	1,318
Shrimp.....	5,419	10,645	8,891	7,470
Squid.....	469	648	652	909
Miscellaneous shellfish.....	1,344	1,607	1,500	1,590
Frozen fish, total.....	59,568	68,268	82,722	75,107
Cured fish, total.....	17,782	16,198	13,601	13,659
Total, all fish.....	77,350	84,466	96,323	88,766

1/ Data furnished by the Department of the Interior - Fish and Wildlife Service, which publishes a report giving detailed information, species and geographical sections.

Table 15. — Cold storage holdings May 1, 1949 by geographic regions

Commodities	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	East South Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
- Thousands -												
FROZEN FRUITS												
Apples.....	Pounds	902	3,815	2,848	1,547	1,667	400	520	330	1,694	13,723	
Apricots.....	"	242	824	1,073	477	86	22	294	138	2,666	5,822	
Blackberries.....	"	418	1,108	620	143	100	43	179	31	1,343	3,985	
Blueberries.....	"	1,066	1,972	3,284	272	52	8	46	23	143	6,866	
Cherries.....	"	339	6,388	12,575	3,240	614	256	556	459	1,758	26,185	
Grapes.....	"	5	3,639	3,782	216	72	10	46	30	604	8,404	
Peaches.....	"	525	3,370	1,986	1,194	1,636	327	498	559	2,982	13,077	
Plums and prunes.....	"	124	921	1,158	263	36	43	47	81	772	3,445	
Raspberries.....	"	954	3,720	2,331	1,311	192	20	168	134	5,152	13,982	
Strawberries.....	"	2,992	10,979	6,427	3,017	1,996	1,429	1,691	560	7,685	36,776	
Young, Logan, Boysen, etc.....	"	100	528	2,163	392	30	28	59	92	4,296	7,688	
Fruit juices and purees.....	"	2,995	22,121	6,689	1,472	15,692	3,547	987	252	2,647	56,402	
All other fruits.....	"	16,304	7,001	7,930	2,395	821	412	1,107	146	4,669	40,785	
FROZEN VEGETABLES												
Asparagus.....	Pounds	153	1,530	627	209	201	66	104	144	1,362	4,396	
Beans, lima.....	"	676	9,162	4,852	2,094	2,475	639	739	674	12,312	33,623	
Beans, snap.....	"	603	5,293	1,745	740	954	340	300	154	1,937	12,066	
Broccoli.....	"	462	3,535	1,520	414	592	297	351	105	2,645	9,921	
Brussels sprouts.....	"	94	1,623	523	114	242	45	92	43	904	3,680	
Cauliflower.....	"	306	2,222	786	304	261	154	165	48	2,642	6,888	
Corn, sweet.....	"	401	4,903	1,946	793	671	171	231	317	2,218	11,651	
Peas, green.....	"	2,481	19,857	5,719	2,999	2,127	413	589	1,301	15,763	51,249	
Pumpkin and squash.....	"	155	1,487	451	385	89	2	25	15	781	3,390	
Spinach.....	"	486	4,745	2,243	688	1,196	370	978	53	5,370	16,129	
All other vegetables.....	"	1,924	13,400	8,167	3,584	1,708	778	450	453	7,333	37,797	
FRUITS & VEGETABLES												
Fresh apples.....	Bushels	55	339	339	50	150	24	53	8	2,306	3,324	
Fresh pears.....	"	29	2	2	-	-	-	2	-	47	80	
Other fresh fruits.....	Pounds	435	9,472	3,543	549	3,658	720	638	-	1,095	20,110	
Dried & evaporated fruits.....	"	717	17,814	4,951	1,320	1,758	755	968	55	3,827	32,165	
Canned fruits & Vegetables.....	"	8	119	1,184	97	282	-	-	18	192	1,900	
Potatoes.....	"	1,144	9,008	8,674	5,355	1,155	1,817	2,793	5,321	42,527	77,794	
Onions.....	"	148	21,268	5,691	229	108	27	111	-	7,707	35,289	
Celery.....	"	10	523	300	93	185	92	60	10	1,180	2,453	
Other fresh vegetables.....	"	649	9,420	9,111	452	246	361	655	95	2,241	23,230	
Peanut meats.....	"	111	1,153	15,094	299	3,832	271	1,502	125	500	22,887	
Other nutmeats.....	"	1,581	11,436	6,235	1,755	730	372	2,398	106	5,947	30,560	
Peanuts in shell.....	"	-	86	371	53	1	294	349	-	637	1,791	
Other nuts in shell.....	"	38	3,329	3,510	5,791	12,942	428	15,175	87	6,975	48,275	

(Cont. on page 19)

Cold storage holdings May 1, 1949 by geographic regions (con'd.)

Commodity	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
- Thousands -											
DAIRY PRODUCTS AND EGGS											
Cream (not including plastic).....	Pounds	349	5,142	1,060	1,393	294	302	210	5	503	9,258
Cream, plastic.....	"	114	70	-	662	117	88	220	102	83	1,456
Butter, creamery.....	"	268	2,936	5,791	4,600	322	103	393	91	627	15,131
Cheese, American cheddar.....	"	1,793	15,421	69,485	9,496	2,082	5,591	2,121	1,709	2,593	110,281
Cheese, Swiss incl. block.....	"	-	124	1,241	42	71	-	10	39	44	1,571
Cheese, all other varieties.....	"	826	5,311	5,035	862	735	335	576	176	736	14,592
Eggs, shell.....	Cases	25	162	177	174	58	25	40	61	240	962
Eggs, frozen (Total).....	Pounds	1,731	18,266	28,739	33,647	4,176	3,140	12,535	671	4,034	106,939
Eggs, dried (Total).....	"	-	1,864	7,446	30,843	63	65	6,893	25	53	47,252
FROZEN POULTRY											
Broilers.....	Pounds	207	828	1,338	1,320	200	15	81	34	319	4,342
Fryers.....	"	398	1,363	1,433	1,818	1,273	128	203	345	1,373	8,334
Roasters.....	"	321	1,914	921	848	83	1	58	17	554	5,022
Poultry.....	"	628	4,127	5,552	4,924	199	62	821	141	1,450	17,604
Turkeys.....	"	2,155	8,885	6,434	3,995	812	107	893	1,652	10,783	35,716
Ducks.....	"	26	917	168	9	83	10	12	1	182	1,408
Miscellaneous.....	"	89	829	1,209	346	5	149	188	29	281	3,125
Unclassified.....	"	12	855	8,085	749	803	314	89	1,208	1,719	13,834
MEATS & LARD											
Beef, frozen.....	Pounds	4,317	14,863	27,885	22,392	4,383	2,876	7,194	1,614	11,110	96,634
Veal, frozen.....	"	785	2,340	2,856	1,479	589	465	2,302	75	578	11,969
Pork, frozen.....	"	7,209	17,142	88,949	145,198	16,525	6,460	11,253	3,864	6,311	362,911
Lamb & mutton, frozen.....	"	478	2,245	3,564	1,614	160	145	902	77	738	9,923
Beef, in cure, cured & smoked.....	"	4	1,520	5,821	3,177	326	13	277	10	396	11,544
Dry salt pork, in cure & cured.....	"	568	1,160	16,956	29,303	3,205	383	2,574	933	1,356	56,438
All other pork, in cure	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
cured and smoked.....	"	5,548	12,401	58,810	82,553	7,396	2,170	8,211	2,428	8,534	188,051
All edible offal.....	"	2,456	5,690	19,421	22,419	2,857	861	1,555	1,184	1,893	58,336
Lard.....	"	1,019	6,707	78,537	38,889	2,805	1,874	2,201	1,273	2,813	136,118
Pondered pork fat.....	"	6	84	818	823	71	81	118	39	120	2,160
Sausage room products.....	"	340	2,557	4,847	2,493	1,014	578	360	313	1,405	13,907
Canned meats and meat products.....	"	340	4,295	14,093	21,310	1,037	117	503	294	2,052	42,012
Hides and pelts.....	"	-	3,816	16,890	29,396	1,079	431	1,645	1,553	1,569	56,379
Fish.....	"	14,384	18,720	12,257	6,008	3,567	4,000	1,723	433	14,015*	75,187

* Includes fish in Alaska.

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